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supplemental bill of health. Vessel held in quarantine 2 days upon

arrival here to complete 7 days from Amoy.

On May 31, 1905, the American steamer *Missouri*, with 36 crew, clearing for Boston and New York via Iloilo and Cebu, was granted a bill of health. Holds and forecastles were fumigated with sulphur while in port.

Vaccination of crews.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

Manila, P. I., June 15, 1905.

To the masters, owners, and agents of vessels, and others concerned.

Sirs: Your attention is called to the fact that during the past four years the quarantine service has endeavored to vaccinate the crews of

all vessels plying between ports of the Philippine Islands.

In order to lessen the liability of smallpox occurring among the crews on vessels, and to reduce to a minimum the necessity for placing crews in quarantine when smallpox is detected, this office asks your cooperation to the end that no new members of crews be employed who do not possess blue cards issued by this Service. When any person applies for a position aboard your vessels, he should be required to show a quarantine service blue vaccination card. If he does not have one he should be sent to this office at once to be vaccinated before allowing him to go aboard. By giving us your assistance in this matter commerce will be facilitated, your interests will be benefited, and the necessity for quarantining your vessels on account of unprotected members of the crew will be avoided.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,
Passed Assistant Surgeon,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.

TURKEY.

Return of the pilgrimage of the Hedjaz.

[From the Bulletin Quarantenaire, Alexandria, June 15 and 22, 1905.]

Movement of the pilgrims at the quarantine camp of Suakim.

May 29.—4 pilgrims returned from the Hedjaz.

Movement of pilgrims at the quarantine camp of Tor.

June 2.-5 pilgrims arrived by land route.

June 10.—1 pilgrim.

June 14.—2 foreign pilgrims arrived by land route; June 17, 7.

VENEZUELA.

Report from Maracaibo—Yellow fever present, but not in epidemic form—Certificate of health to be required for passengers for the United States.

Consul Plumacher reports, June 22, as follows:

There is no improvement in the condition of the public health of the city of Maracaibo. Yellow fever seems to spread. The consul of